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IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
WILLIAM FORD, ET AL. : EXAMINER: D. M. NAFF  
SERIAL NO: 09/990,049 :  
FILED: NOVEMBER 21, 2001 : GROUP ART UNIT: 1657  
FOR: SELECTIVE METALLISATION OF :  
NUCLEIC ACIDS VIA METAL  
NANOPARTICLES PRODUCED IN-SITU

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated October 29, 2010, Applicants respectfully  
request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following remarks:

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.